

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 35-A: PUBLIC UTILITIES**  
**Chapter 25: REGULATION OF FACILITIES IN THE PUBLIC WAY**

**§2501. APPLICABILITY**

**1. Applicability of chapter 25.** All persons engaged in the business of the transmission of communications or electricity are subject to the duties, restrictions and liabilities prescribed in this chapter.

[ 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6 (NEW) . ]

**2. Applicability of section 2503.** Except as otherwise provided, a person may not construct facilities upon and along highways and public roads without applying for and obtaining a written location permit from the applicable licensing authority under section 2503. Included within this requirement is every person operating telephones or transmitting television signals by wire; every person that owns, controls, operates or manages any pipeline within or through this State for the transportation as a common carrier for hire of oil, gas, gasoline, petroleum or any other liquids or gases; every water utility and every person making, generating, selling, distributing and supplying gas or electricity; every water utility or sewer company, district or system privately or municipally owned; every municipally owned or operated fire alarm, police alarm or street lighting circuit or system; every cooperative organized under chapter 35; the University of Maine System, for purposes described in section 2301-A; every dark fiber provider for the purposes of constructing and maintaining its federally supported dark fiber; and any other person engaged in telecommunications or the transmission of heat or electricity.

[ 2009, c. 612, §8 (AMD) . ]

**SECTION HISTORY**

1987, c. 141, §A6 (NEW). 1995, c. 225, §9 (AMD). 2007, c. 268, §2 (AMD). 2009, c. 612, §8 (AMD).

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